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SUBJ: DAKR PORT - MALI PIPELINE

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1. FFPO SUGGESTS THAT IN ORDER TO REDUCE SPOILAGE OF
OTHER-DONOR CORN NOW AWAITING DISPATCH TO KAYES/BAMAKO
BY RAIL, AND PARTIALLY RESOLVE THE PROBLEM CONSTITUTED
BY THEIR STORAGE/EVACUATION, OVERTURES BE MADE TO DONORS
CONCERNED AND ORGANIZATIONS (FED, FAC) INVOLVED WITH
VIEW TO MAKING POSSIBLE TRADE OF PORTION OF THESE COMMODITIES
FOR EQUIVALENT AMOUNT U.S. BILATERAL SORGHUM, TO BE
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DELIVERED AT A LATER DATE.

2. SPECIFICALLY, FFPO SUGGESTS THAT IF SENEGAL/MAURITANIA/MALI WILLING TO ACCEPT SUCH A TRADE, THIS WOULD APPEAR TO CONSTITUTE BEST PARTIAL SOLUTION TO BOTH PROBLEMS WHICH CAN BE FOUND IN CONTEXT OF PRESENT SITUATION. PROPOSAL WOULD INVOLVE IMMEDIATE TRANSFER TO MAURITANIA OF 11,000 M.T. CORN (FED/FAC) REPRESENTING BALANCE OF ALLOCATION STILL DUE MAURITANIA, AND 5,000 M.T. CORN TO SENEGAL (FED/FAC) REPRESENTING BALANCE SENEGAL ALLOCATION. IT SHOULD OF COURSE BE RECOGNIZED THAT FED/FAC CORN IS ALREADY BAGGED, AND THAT SACKS CLEARLY IDENTIFY IT AS AID FROM THE DONOR ORGANIZATION/COUNTRY CONCERNED.

3 BELIEVE ON-SITE OSRO COORDINATION WITH FFPO/DAKAR ESSENTIAL TO ASPECTS OF THIS PROPOSAL AND OVERALL PORT/TRANS-SHIPMENT QUESTIONS SENEGAL/MAURITANIA/MALI.

4. AID/W VIEWS SOLICITED ON THE APPROPRIATENESS OF SUCH NEGOTIATIONS BEFORE MATTER IS TAKEN ANY FURTHER.

5. FFPO AGAIN REITERATES THAT EVERY PRECAUTION IS BEING TAKEN TO ENSURE FULL PROTECTION OF TITLE II SORGHUM AT MALIAN FREE ZONE IN THE EVENT OF RAIN (SEASON NOW EXPECTED TO BEGIN JUNE 15). EVEN THAT PORTION NOW IN OPEN STORAGE WILL BE FULLY COVERED BY TARPAULIN AND WITH REQUISITED DUNNAGE. POSSIBILITY RAIN DAMAGE CAN BE ABSOLUTELY MINIMIZED. THE PROGNOSIS FOR LESS STABLE COMMODITIES, SUCH AS CORN/WHEAT/RICE, IS OF COURSE MUCH LESS ENCOURAGING.
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